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MEETING -- U.S./JAPAN ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT

REF: (A) TOKYO 6989, (B) STATE 106454, (C) TOKYO 6317

1. AGENDA PROPOSED BY EMBASSY DURING MEETING WITH YONEDA
CAN NOT BE COVERED ADEQUATELY IN THREE DAYS. ART. 2 OF THE

AGREEMENT STATES THAT JOINT MEETING "WILL BE ESTABLISHED
TO DISCUSS MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ISSUES, TO COORDINATE
AND REVIEW ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS UNDER THIS AGREE-
MENT, AND TO MAKE NECESSARY RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE TWO
GOVERNMENTS WITH REGARD TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS
AGREEMENT." WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE REVIEW AND PLANNING
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ASPECTS BECOME THE CENTRAL FEATURE OF THE ANNUAL MEETINGS.

2. IN LIGHT OF THIS, WE DO NOT BELIEVE AGENDA PROPOSED
REF (A) GIVES SUFFICIENT EMPHASIS TO NECESSITY FOR PROJECT

PLANNING. BUT, WE ARE WILLING TO ACQUIESCE FOR THIS YEAR
IF JAPANESE ARE WILLING TO INCLUDE DISCUSSION OF "NATURE OF

FUTURE JOINT MEETINGS" ON AGENDA.

3. US SIDE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO MAKE USEFUL PRESENTATIONS ON ALL THE SUGGESTED TOPICS. WE WOULD PROPOSE TO LIMIT PAPERS TO: (1) PUBLIC INFORMATION SERVICES DEALING WITH ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS; (2) POLICIES AND ACTIVITIES IN NOISE POLLUTION CONTROL; (3) EUTROPHICATION PROBLEMS AND RESEARCH.

4. FYI: IF JAPANESE INSIST ON SHIFTING EMPHASIS AWAY FROM PROJECT ACTIVITIES, US DELEGATION WILL BE SOMEWHAT SMALLER THAN ORIGINALLY PLANNED. CHRISTOPHER

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